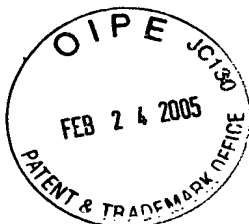


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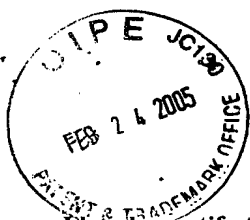
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**Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

**Introductory Comments**

This is responsive to the Office Action dated December 3, 2004, from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified patent application.

This amendment is submitted in accordance with 37 CFR §1.121 effective July 30, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.